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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Robert J. Winchester et al.
Serial No.: 09/500,746 Examiner: R. Schwadron
Filed : February 9, 2000 Group Art Unit: 1644
For : Uses Of Inhibitors For The Activation Of CXCR4
Receptor By SDF-1 In Treating Rheumatoid Arthritis

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PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time for filing a response to the Final Office Action issued on July 6, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 6, 2004 Final Office Action was originally due October 6, 2004. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time from October 6, 2004 to November 6, 2004 for responding to the July 6, 2004 Final Office Action in order to file a continuation application. The fee for the extension of time is \$55.00, and a check for that amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the July 6, 2004 Office Action is now due November 6, 2004. However, since November 6, 2004 falls on a Saturday, a response filed on the next business day, i.e. Monday, November 8, 2004, is considered timely. Accordingly, the subject application is pending on November 8, 2004 for the purpose of filing the continuation application.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$55.00 fee, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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